



## THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

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### **City of Villages Community Workshops Planned**

*Citizens are invited to attend and learn more about proposed growth strategy*

**SAN DIEGO** – Citizens are invited to attend a series of five community workshops to engage in a dialogue about the proposed City of Villages strategy to update the City's General Plan. The workshops will help shape the decisions made now in order to enhance the quality of life in San Diego for generations to come.

Recent San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) projections call for about 349,000 more residents and the need for approximately 17,000 additional homes in San Diego by the year 2020. The City of Villages strategy is intended to meet the needs of San Diego's diverse and expanding population while maintaining its natural environment and preserving the unique character of our existing neighborhoods.

"Creating neighborhoods we can be proud of while preserving what makes our city great is one of my 10 goals. Public input is vital to our ultimate success. These workshops will provide an opportunity for citizens to learn more and voice their concerns before the City Council considers adoption this summer," said Mayor Murphy.

Each workshop is being held in a location central to a number of communities including:

#### **North City Communities:**

Monday, February 11  
5:30 – 7:30pm  
Scripps Ranch Branch Library  
10301 Scripps Lake Dr.

#### **Coastal Communities:**

Wednesday, February 13  
6:00 – 8:00pm  
UTC Forum Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
4315 La Jolla Village Dr.

#### **Central Urbanized Communities:**

Thursday, February 21  
6:00 – 8:00pm  
Tubman-Chavez Center  
415 Euclid Ave.

#### **Northern Urbanized Communities:**

Monday, February 25  
6:00 – 8:00pm  
Bayside Community Center  
2202 Comstock St.

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#### **South Bay Communities:**

Thursday, March 7

6:00 – 8:00pm

Casa Familiar

212 West Park Ave.

The City of Villages strategy employs "smart growth" concepts and draws upon the strengths of existing San Diego neighborhoods by combining housing, commercial, employment centers, schools and civic uses together into a community with easy access to transit.

The next step after City Council adoption would involve a five-year implementation process and selecting three pilot villages.

For more information about the City of Villages strategy, please call the Planning Department at (619) 236-6479. Additional information can be found at the Planning Department website [www.sandiego.gov/cityofvillages](http://www.sandiego.gov/cityofvillages).

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